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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows without prejudice. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

We claim:

Claim 1 (Currently amended) A computer implemented method for translating text on an original slide presentation from a first language to a second language in a batch process comprising the steps of:

obtaining original slide presentation and language translation information, during a batch processing session;

creating a text file, the text file having a format that can enable text be translated from one language to a second language using conventional file translation techniques by obtaining the original presentation slide for which translation is desired, obtaining the translation language for the presentation slide; and retrieving the text to be translated from the original presentation slide;

reading all text from all slides in the slide presentation;

inserting the read text from an original presentation slide into the created auxiliary text file;

translating the text inserted into the auxiliary text file from a first language to a second language; and

writing the translated text onto the original presentation slide, in the location of the original text that was translated, using information contained in the original presentation slide.

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Claim 2 (Original) The method as described in claim 1 wherein said addressing information related to the configuration of the objects contained in the original presentation slide is inserted into the created text file, at a location transparent to a user.

Claim 3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Original) The method as described in claim 3 wherein said text-retrieving step comprises reading the text from the original presentation slide.

Claim 5 (Original) The method as described in claim 3 wherein said text-retrieving step comprises copying the text from the original presentation slide.

Claim 6 (Original) The method as described in claim 2 wherein the addressing information is extracted from the original presentation slide.

Claim 7 (Currently amended) The method as described in claim 1 3 wherein said text-retrieving step comprises:

- searching the slide presentation for objects;
- determining whether a found object is a text object; and
- exporting the text from the found text object and the found object's addressing information to the created text file.

Claim 8 (Original) The method as described in claim 7 further comprising the steps of:

- determining whether the found object is a group;
- searching each sub-object in a determined group for text; exporting the text from each sub-object found in the group; and
- repeating said searching and exporting steps for each sub-object determined to be in the determined group.

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Claim 9 (Original) The method as described in claim 7 wherein a slide is searched until the lowest level object on that slide is detected.

Claim 10 (Original) The method as described in claim 2 wherein said translated presentation slide writing step comprises:

- creating a copy of the original presentation slide;
- retrieving the translated text information from the new text file;
- retrieving other slide presentation information from the original presentation slide; and
- inserting the translated text information and the other presentation slide information onto the created copy of the original presentation slide such that the inserted information appears in the copy of the original slide in the same configuration as in the original presentation slide.

Claim 11 (Original) The method as described in claim 10 wherein said insertion step comprises inserting and positioning said translated text and other original presentation information in the copy of the original presentation slide according to the addressing information for the original slide.

Claim 12 (Original) The method as described in claim 1 wherein the addressing information contained in the text file is not translated from the first language to the second language.

Claim 13 (Currently amended) The method as described in claim 1 further comprising during a batch processing session the steps of:

- creating a specific identification for the new translated presentation slide;
- attaching a link from the new translated slide to the original presentation slide;
- and
- storing the translated presentation slide in a translated slide database for the second language.

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Claim 14 (Original) The method as described in claim 13 further comprising before said new text file creation step, the step of examining links of an original presentation slide to determine if a translated slide for the particular language currently exists and retrieving an existing translated slide.

Claim 15 Currently amended) A computer implemented method for translating text on a presentation slide from a first language to a second language comprising in a batch process the steps of:

creating a copy of an original presentation slide from an original presentation slide during a batch processing session;

obtaining the original presentation slide for which translation is desired;

obtaining the translation language for the presentation slide;

retrieving the text to be translated from the original presentation slide;

creating a text file, the text file having a format that can enable text be translated from one language to a second language using conventional file translation techniques by obtaining the original presentation slide for which translation is desired, obtaining the translation language for the presentation slide; and retrieving the text to be translated from the original presentation slide;

inserting text from the copy of an original presentation slide into the created text file;

translating the text inserted into the text file from a first language to a second language; and

writing the translated text onto the created copy of the original presentation slide, in the location of the original text that was translated, using information contained in the original presentation slide.

Claim 16 (Canceled)

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Claim 17 (Original) The method as described in claim 15 wherein said translated presentation slide writing step comprises:

retrieving the translated text information from the new text file; and

inserting the translated text information onto the created copy of the original presentation slide such that the inserted information appears in the copy of the original slide in the same configuration as in the original presentation slide.

Claim 18 (Original) The method as described in claim 15 further comprising the steps of:

creating a specific identification for the new translated presentation slide;

attaching a link from the new translated slide to the original presentation slide;

and

storing the translated presentation slide in a translated slide database for the second language.

Claim 19 (Original) The method as described in claim 18 further comprising before said new text file creation step, the step of examining links of an original presentation slide to determine if a translated slide for the particular language currently exists and retrieving an existing translated slide.

Claim 20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Canceled)

Claim 22 (Canceled)

Claim 23 (Canceled)

Claim 24 (Canceled)

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Claim 31 (New) A computer program product implemented in a computer readable medium for translating text on an original slide presentation from a first language to a second language during a batch process comprising:

obtaining original slide presentation and language translation information, during a batch processing session;

creating a text file, the text file having a format that can enable text be translated from one language to a second language using conventional file translation techniques by obtaining the original presentation slide for which translation is desired, obtaining the translation language for the presentation slide; and retrieving the text to be translated from the original presentation slide;

reading all text from all slides in the slide presentation;

inserting the read text from an original presentation slide into the created auxiliary text file;

translating the text inserted into the auxiliary text file from a first language to a second language; and

writing the translated text onto the original presentation slide, in the location of the original text that was translated, using information contained in the original presentation slide.